Dear Ms. Snyder,

Pursuant to Docket No. PY-02-006, The Cornucopia Institute would like to go on record in favor of exempting organic producers from research and promotional assessments, freeing them to invest in programs they will directly benefit from.

The organic farming and processing industry benefits little from generic commodity advertising or research. However, discontinuing this burden will free up valuable resources that can be used to expand the organic marketplace producing great societal benefits.

Respectfully submitted,

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